IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

QUEEN'S BENCH DIVISION

**COMMERCIAL COURT** 

**Before: Master Richard Davison** 

ROLLS BUILDING

Claim No. Ct/-2016 C00151

OF JUSTICE

A PROPRIES OF BUILDING

CLAIM NO. Ct/-2016 C00151

CL-2016-000151

Between:

#### **LOUIS EMOVBIRA WILLIAMS**

Claimant

- and -

(1) THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

(2) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA

**Defendants** 

- and -

(1) JP MORGAN CHASE BANK N.A. LONDON

(2) STANDARD CHARTERED BANK

**Third Parties** 

- and -

**CENTRAL BANK OF NIGERIA** 

<u>Intervener</u>

#### **CONSENT ORDER**

**UPON** the applications of the Claimant dated 16 July 2020 for third party debt orders (the "**TPDO Applications**") in respect of accounts held by the Intervener with (i) JP Morgan Chase NA London and (ii) Standard Chartered Bank (the "**JPM and SCB Accounts**")

**AND UPON** the Claimant obtaining interim third party debt orders in respect of the JPM and SCB Accounts on 17 July 2020 with final determination of the TPDO Applications listed for hearing on 7 October 2020

**AND UPON** the application of the Intervener dated 26 August 2020 to the Intervener to be joined as a party to the proceedings for the purpose of opposing the Claimant's TPDO Applications at the hearing listed for 7 October 2020 (the "Intervener's Application")

AND UPON the Claimant having withdrawn his TPDO Applications

**AND UPON** the Intervener having also agreed to withdraw the Intervener's Application on the basis that the Claimant pays the Intervener's costs of its application on the standard basis, to be assessed if not agreed

#### IT IS ORDERED BY CONSENT THAT:

- 1. The hearing listed for 7 October 2020 shall be vacated; and
- 2. The Claimant shall pay the Intervener's costs of its application, to be assessed if not agreed, on the standard basis.

#### Dated the this 6th day of October 2020

#### Service of the order

The court has provided a sealed copy of the order to the serving party: Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner LLP, solicitors for the Intervener, at Governor's House, 5 Laurence Pountney Hill, London EC4R OBR

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CL-2016-000151 debt order

**Louis Emovira Williams** 

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Claimant

The Federal Government of Nigeria

Defendant

JP Morgan Chase Bank NA

Third

**Party** 

On the 17<sup>TH</sup> July 2020, Master Davison Considered the application of the Claimant ("the judgment creditor")

from which it appears:

- a) There is an amount owing by the Defendant ("the judgment debtor") under the order given on 9 November 2018 by Mrs Justice Moulder in claim no CL-2016-000151, and
- b) There is a debt due or accruing due by the third party to the judgment debtor

#### And the court orders that

1. The application will be heard at 16:00 p.m. on the 7<sup>TH</sup> October 2020 at the Commercial Court, Rolls Buildings, Fetter Lane London EC4 1NL when a Master will decide whether a final third party debt order should be made.

Final confirmation of the listing of this can be found on the Justice website <a href="http://www.justice.gov.uk/guidance/courts-and-tribunals/courts/daily-courtihearings.htm">http://www.justice.gov.uk/guidance/courts-and-tribunals/courts/daily-courtihearings.htm</a> at approximately 2p.m

2. Until that hearing the third party must not, unless the court orders otherwise, pay to the judgment debtor, or to any other person, any sum of money due or accruing due by the third party to the judgment debtor, except for any part of that sum which exceeds the total shown below.

Amount now owing under the judgment or order including interest USD\$16,951,085 and Costs awarded GBP:

GBP£15,778

Court Fee Costs of this application which may be allowed to the judgment creditor

Total expressed in GBP sterling

£13,576,756

### This interim order does not authorise the third party to pay any money to the judgment creditor at this stage.

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#### Hardship

If the third party is a bank or building

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and the judgment debtor or their

hardship through not being able to meet

living expenses as a result of not being able to withdraw money from the account, a court may make a hardship payment order allowing some money to be paid out. An application form (N244) can be obtained from any court office (see overleaf for further details)

#### Hardship payment orders

An application for a hardship payment order May be made to:

**Any county court** where the interim third party debt Order was made to a county court; or

The Royal Courts of Justice in London or to any District registry, where the interim third party debt Order was made by the High Court.

A fee may be payable for the application, but in certain details of them to the court and the judgment creditor Circumstances the applicant can apply for exemption Or remission of the fee. Court staff can provide further Details about remission and exemption and provide The necessary forms.

The application should be made using Form N244. It must include details of the judgment creditor, the Court where the interim third party debt order was made, if different, and the claim number. The form must include evidence of the hardship caused by not being able to meet ordinary living expenses and must be accompanied by documentary evidence such as mortgage statements or rent book, wage or salary slips If a final third party order is made at the and bank statements proving the applicant's financial

position. There will usually be a hearing.

If the judge makes a hardship payment order the court will draw up an order which will be faxed to the appropriate bank of building society who will then be authorised to pay out the amount, or amounts, specified in the order.

#### What the third party will do

If the third party is a bank of building society. It must Search for all accounts held solely by the judgment Debtor and, within 7 days of receiving this order, give stating whether it holds sufficient to cover the total shown and, if not, the amounts in them. A bank or building society may deduct an Amount from any money held for the judgment debtor, for its expenses in complying with this order. This would be in addition to the total amount shown above.

If the third party is not a bank or building society and claims to owe the judgment debtor no money or less money than the total shown above, the third party must tell the court and the judgment creditor within 7 days of receiving this order

#### The Final order

hearing, it will require the third party to pay direct to the judgment creditor some or all of the money which the third party owes to

In cases of exceptional urgency, the court may agree to the judgment debtor.

Deal with the application without notice being given to The judgment creditor. Details of why the application is exceptionally urgent and why it should be dealt with without notice to the creditor, should be set out in the application

#### **PARTY DETAILS**

#### The judgment creditor

Name: Louis Emovbira Williams

Address for service: Westbrook Law Ltd

35 New Broad Street

London

Postcode EC2M 1NH

#### The Third party

Name: JP Morgan Chase Bank NA Address for service: 25 Bank Street

Canary Wharf, London

Postcode E14 5JP

#### **The judgment Debtor**

Name The Federal Government

of Nigeria

Address: Nigerian High Commission

9 Northumberland Avenue

Postcode: London WC2N 5BX

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1.	Judgment debtor							
	The judgment debtor is The Federal Government of Nigeria							
	whose address is Radio House, Herbert Macaulay Way South, Area 10, PMB 247, Garki, Abuja,							
	Nigeria Postcode							
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	Its name is JP Morgan Chase Bank NA							
	Its head office address in England and Wales is: 25 Bank Street, Canary Wharf, London E14 5JP							
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	whose address in England and Wales is					
4.	Other persons' interests  The persons (in addition to the judgment debtor) who have a claim to the money owed by the third party are  None  The following: (names and address(es))					
	Information known about each person's claim:					
5.	Sources and grounds of information  The judgment creditor knowns or believes that the information in section 3 and 4 is correct because:  JP Morgan Chase NA have been conducting banking activities from its London office for the Central Bank of Nigeria which is the holder of all bank accounts for the Judgment Debtor for many years					
6.	<ul> <li>Other applications</li> <li>In respect of the judgment debt,</li> <li>         the judgment creditor has made no other applications for third party debt orders.     </li> <li>         with the judgment creditor has already made the following application(s) for third party debt or Details of application(s) made at same time against Standard Chartered Bank</li> </ul>					
	Third party's name Standard Chartered Bank Address 1 Basinghall Avenue, London EC2V 5DD					
	Postcode EC2V 5DD					
*I *I sig *( *c	*I believe (the judgment creditor believes) that the facts stated in this application form are true.  *I am duly authorised by the judgment creditor to sign this statement  signed					
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	Judgment creditor's or judgment creditor's 1st Floor, 1 St Andrew's Hill London EC4V 5BY which documents should be sent.	Ref. no. fax no. DX no. e-mail Tel. no.	if applicable 07768303442			

Postcode EC4V 5BY

# Interim third party cv-07356-Lije OBD Commercial Court 19/28 laim No. Cur 3016-000151 debt order

Louis Emovbira Williams

Claimant

The Federal Government of Nigeria

Defendant

JP Morgan Chase Bank NA

Third Party

in

On

2020, [Master] [District Judge]

considered the application of the [claimant] [defendant] ('the judgment creditor'), from which it appears:



- a) there is an amount owing by the [claimant] [defendant] ('the judgment debtor') under the judgment or order given on 9 November 20<sup>18</sup> [by the Mrs Justice Moulder claim no, CL-2016-000151] and
- b) there is a debt due or accruing due by the third party to the judgment debtor

#### and the court orders that

- 1. The application will be heard at [a.m.][p.m.] on 20 at Commercial Court, Rollls Buildings Fetter Lane, London EC4 when a judge will decide whether a final third party debt order should be made.
- 2. Until that hearing the third party must not, unless the court orders otherwise, pay to the judgment debtor, or to any other person, any sum of money due or accruing due by the third party to the judgment debtor, except for any part of that sum which exceeds the total shown below.

Amount now owing under the judgment or order including

any costs and interest

Court fee

Costs of this application which may be allowed to the judgment creditor

0.5. Dollars \$ 16,951,085 and costs £ 15,778 Court fee. £ 110

Total

£

\$13,576,756

This interim order does not authorise the third party to pay any money to the judgment creditor at this stage.

To

JP Morgan Chase Bank NA 25 Bank Street Canary Wharg London E14 5JP Hardship

If the third party is a bank or building society, and the judgment debtor or their family suffers hardship through not being able to meet ordinary living expenses as a result of not being able to withdraw money from the account, a court may make a hardship payment order allowing some money to be paid out. An application form (N244) can be obtained from

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Hardship payment orders

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Will draw up an order which will be faxed to the appropriate bank or building society who will then be authorised to pay out the amount, or amounts, specified in the order.

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#### The final order

If a final third party debt order is made at the hearing, it will require the third party to pay direct to the judgment creditor some or all of the money which the third party owes to the judgment debtor.

## Party details

#### The judgment creditor

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London

Postcode

EC2M 1NH

reference:

AS/SL

Telephone:

#### The third party

Name: JP Morgan Chase Bank NA

Address for service: 25 Bank Street

Canary Wharg

London

Postcode

E14 5JP

reference:

The judgment debtor

Name:

Federal Government of Nigeria

Address:

Nigerian High Commission

9 Northumberland Avenue

London

Postcode WC2N 5BX

reference: High Commissioner

Telephone:

#### **Banks and Building Societies**

The name and address of the branch:

Postcode

Sort code